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SUBJECT: Defense Institute of Security Assistance Management  
(DISAM)

- References:
- (a) DoD Directive 2140.5, subject as above, March 1, 1985 (hereby canceled)
  - (b) Public Law 90-629, "Arms Export Control Act," October 22, 1968 (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.)
  - (c) Public Law 87-195, "Foreign Assistance Act of 1961," September 4, 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.)
  - (d) DoD Directive 5132.3, "DoD Policy and Responsibilities Relating to Security Assistance" March 10, 1981
  - (e) DoD Directive 2055.3, "Manning of Security Assistance Organizations and the Selection and Training of Security Assistance Personnel," March 11, 1985

A. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE

This Directive:

1. Reissues reference (a).
2. Updates the organization and management of the DISAM and the DISAM Policy and Advisory Council.
3. Designates the Secretary of the Air Force as the DoD Executive Agent for the DISAM.

B. APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE

This Directive applies to:

1. The Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Unified and Specified Commands, and the Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components").
2. The Security Assistance Organizations (SAOs).

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### C. DEFINITIONS

1. Security Assistance. All DoD activities carried out under Pub. L. No. 90-629 (1968) and Pub. L. No. 87-195 (1961) (references (b) and (c)), related appropriation acts, and other related statutory authorities.

2. Security Assistance Organizations (SAOs). All DoD organizations, regardless of actual title, located in a foreign country with assigned responsibilities for carrying out security assistance management functions under Section 515 of reference (c).

### D. POLICY

1. It is DoD policy to establish uniform professional education and training to improve the performance of personnel engaged in security assistance functions that directly affect the security assistance program.

2. The order of priority for the education and training provided under this Directive shall be as follows:

a. DoD military and civilian personnel.

b. Personnel of other U.S. Federal Agencies assigned security assistance functions.

c. Foreign civilians employed by a SAO to perform security assistance management functions.

d. Foreign military personnel and civilians employed by the foreign government's defense establishment.

e. Private contractors or industry personnel.

### E. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

The DISAM shall operate under the overall guidance and direction of the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency (DSAA), and in accordance with DoD Directives 5132.3 and 2055.3 (references (d) and (e)).

#### 1. Administration

a. The DISAM shall be administered by a Commandant. Direct communication among the Commandant, DISAM; the Director, DSAA; and the DISAM Policy and Advisory Council members is authorized.

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b. The Commandant appointment shall rotate among the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, providing a qualified appointee is available. Nominations for the position of Commandant will be approved by the Director, DSAA. The tour of duty for the Commandant shall be 3 years.

c. The Director, DSAA, shall render an efficiency report of the Commandant, in accordance with appropriate regulations.

d. Commissioned officers from all the DoD Components and the SAOs, augmented by qualified civilian personnel, may be assigned to the faculty. The faculty assignees preferably shall have experience in security assistance management. The tour of duty for military faculty shall be 3 years. The Military Departments shall ensure that their designated DISAM positions are filled on a timely basis. All faculty and staff nominees shall be approved by the Commandant.

## 2. Programming, Budgeting, and Financing

a. The DISAM, through the Department of the Air Force, shall program, budget, and finance all expenses (except as noted in paragraphs E.2.c. and E.2.d., below) for the operation of the DISAM, with its Foreign Military Sales (FMS) administrative budget. Pay and allowances of DoD civilian staff shall be funded by DISAM's FMS administrative budget. Military pay and allowances shall be funded by the member's Military Department. All other DISAM operating expenses may be financed either by direct cite of, or by reimbursement from, the FMS administrative fund budget.

b. The DISAM budget request shall be approved by the Comptroller, DSAA.

c. Pay and allowances of DoD military and civilian personnel assigned as students at the DISAM shall be borne by the sponsoring Military Department.

d. The DISAM will normally fund Continental United States travel and per diem for DoD students and Department of State personnel involved in security assistance management attending DISAM resident courses. Funding for members of specialty teams, such as Technical Assistance Field Teams, should be provided by the FMS case that supports the international customer's needs. Moreover, U.S. officers involved in the Personnel Exchange Programs and the Foreign Area Officer In-Country Studies Programs should be funded by their parent Military Department for DISAM attendance costs, since these officers are assigned in-country under legal authorities other than the Arms Export Control Act (reference (b)) or the Foreign Assistance Act (reference (c)).

e. Other Federal Agencies, industry, and contractors who sponsor students at the DISAM shall pay all direct costs, such as travel and per diem. An appropriate tuition fee shall be assessed for all non-U.S. Government personnel, foreign military personnel, non-U.S. Government employed foreign civilians, and contractor or industry personnel.

f. The DISAM is authorized to fund the travel and per diem of all U.S. Government and selected non-government guest speakers to DISAM courses of instruction.

3. Organization and Management of the DISAM Policy and Advisory Council

a. The Policy and Advisory Council shall be chaired by the Director, DSAA, or designee. The members of the council shall be the Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (International Programs); Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service; Deputy Director for International Negotiations of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Under Secretary of the Army; Director of Security Assistance, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Department of the Army; Director, Navy International Programs Office; Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Policy, Department of the Navy; and Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs, Department of the Air Force.

b. Meetings of the Policy and Advisory Council shall be held at the call of the chair or at the request of any member of the council. The DISAM Commandant, or a designee, shall attend meetings of the council.

c. The Policy and Advisory Council members shall be kept informed on DISAM matters.

d. The Policy and Advisory Council members shall appoint representatives to act as points of contact with the DSAA and the DISAM and to perform other duties as requested.

4. Functions of the Policy and Advisory Council. To provide recommendations to the chair on the following:

a. DISAM curricula and admission policy.

b. Operation and administration of the DISAM.

F. MISSION

The DISAM shall be a centralized DoD activity for the education and training of authorized U.S. and foreign personnel engaged in security assistance activities.

G. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy shall ensure that the Commandant of the DISAM, who reports to the Director, DSAA, shall:

- a. Operate the DISAM.
- b. Submit for approval to the Director, DSAA, proposed admission policy, the annual DISAM curricula, course offerings, projected student load, and the proposed DISAM staffing plan or changes to it.
- c. Implement the guidance provided by the Director, DSAA.
- d. Provide education and training approved by the Director, DSAA, and, as resources permit, conduct seminars and workshops in response to specific direction from the Director, DSAA.
- e. Allocate the approved student quotas for each course.
- f. Institute the approved admissions policy; establish educational practices, standards, and curricula; and provide other material necessary for the efficient functioning of the DISAM.
- g. Conduct research, consultations, or special studies directed toward improving the curricula in security assistance management.
- h. Disseminate security assistance information.
- i. Have approval authority for, and obtain the equipment and items required for, the mission of the DISAM.

2. The Secretary of the Air Force, as the Executive Agent for the DISAM, shall:

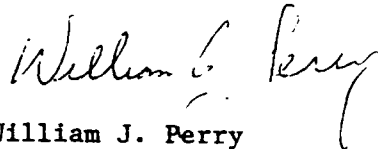
- a. Provide and maintain facilities essential to the operation of the DISAM.

b. Provide timely and comprehensive administrative and logistics support for the accomplishment of the DISAM mission.

3. The Secretaries of the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Commanders of the Unified and Specified Commands, and the Directors of the Defense Agencies shall provide the Commandant, DISAM, with assistance and recommendations on such matters as curricula and training requirements as requested by the Director, DSAA; the DISAM Policy and Advisory Council; or the DISAM.

H. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.



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